House Resolution No. 716

Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to honor remarkable Show-Me State couples who have experienced the good fortune of success in marriage, a most delightful task which this legislative body embraces with great enthusiasm; and

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since Morris Hershberger lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Blanch Hartzler, during a solemn ceremony on February 24, 1952; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Morris and Blanch Hershberger have had the pleasure of raising three children, Cyndy Lowe, Bonnie Roelofs, and Kevin Hershberger; and

Whereas, an avid woodworker, Morris Hershberger has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes successful endeavors as an Insurance Agent and Crop Insurance Claims Adjustor, while Blanch Hershberger has distinguished herself as a Registered Nurse who enjoys flowers and gardening; and

Whereas, members of the Church on the Rock, Morris and Blanch Hershberger serve as Touch Pastors, certified counselors with the International Institute of Faith Based Counseling, and State Directors of Marriage and Ministers International; and

Whereas, Morris and Blanch Hershberger truly serve as an example of the way God intended marriage to be as demonstrated by their enjoyment of daily companionship, their constant display of support for one another, and their shared commitment in respecting the feelings and opinions of each other; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Hershberger of Harrisonville commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a reception on February 24, 2002, at the Harrisonville Mennonite Church:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Morris and Blanch Hershberger and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Morris Hershberger.

Offered by

Representative Rex Rector

District No. 124

L lim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 716, adopted March 12, 2002.